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DAKOTA'S CURTIS WITHERS NAMED TO NBA D-LEAGUE SELECT TEAM

BISMARCK, ND, June 30, 2010 – The NBA Development League announced today that Wizards forward Curtis Withers has been named to the NBA D-League Select team, which will compete in the 2010 NBA Summer League. The team, comprised of 11 NBA D-League players, will play a five-game schedule beginning on Monday July 12, at the Cox Pavilion and Thomas and Mack Center on the campus of the University of Nevada – Las Vegas.

Withers averaged 11.3 points, 6.7 rebounds and 24.5 minutes in 50 games for the Dakota Wizards in his first season in the NBA D – League. He recorded season highs in points (31) and rebounds (20) against Rio Grande Valley on January 19th. Prior to joining the Wizards, Withers played professionally in Turkey, France and Israel.

The 2010 NBA D-League Select roster and game schedule are listed below:

Roster:

<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>POS</u>	<u>HT</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>NBA D-LEAGUE</u>	
<u>TEAM</u>	<u>NBA EXP.</u>						
Bennet Davis	F	6-8	220	3/14/1984	Northeastern	Utah Flash	R
Mike Gansey	G	6-4	190	12/21/1982	West Virginia	Erie BayHawks	R
Yaroslav Korolev	G/F	6-8	225	5/7/1987	Russia	Reno Bighorns	2
Kurt Looby	C	6-10	230	2/17/1984	Iowa	Maine Red Claws	R
Jared Newson	G/F	6-4	210	9/26/1984	Tennessee-Martin	Sioux Falls Skyforce	R
Larry Owens	G/F	6-7	205	1/8/1983	Oral Roberts	Tulsa 66ers	R
Russell Robinson	G	6-1	190	1/24/1986	Kansas	Maine Red Claws	R
Cezary Trybanski	C	7-1	240	9/22/1979	Poland	Reno Bighorns	3
Mark Tyndale	G	6-5	210	1/4/1986	Temple	Iowa Energy	R
Jonathan Wallace	G	6-1	185	5/16/1986	Georgetown	RioGrandeValleyVipers	R
Curtis Withers	F	6-8	230	8/2/1984	Charlotte	Dakota Wizards	R

Head Coach: Nike Nurse (Iowa Energy)

Assistant Coaches: Nate Bjorkgren (Iowa Energy); Taylor Jenkins (Austin Toros); Jai Stedman (Rio Grande Valley Vipers)

Athletic Trainer: Kevin Taylor (Idaho Stampede)

NBA D-League Select Schedule (all times ET):

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
July 12	Phoenix	8:30 p.m.	Thomas & Mack
July 13	Cleveland	6:00 p.m.	COX Pavilion
July 15	Memphis	10:30 p.m.	Thomas & Mack
July 17	Atlanta	10:30 p.m.	Thomas & Mack
July 18	L.A. Clippers	8:30 p.m.	Thomas & Mack

About the NBA Development League

The NBA Development League, founded in 2001, is the NBA's official minor league whose teams have direct affiliations to NBA franchises. For the 2009-10 season, the league featured 16 teams – including the debut of the Maine Red Claws and the Springfield Armor, while a new team, the Texas Legends, will join the League for the 2010-11 season. A proven developer of talent, 20 percent of players in the NBA at the conclusion of the 2009-10 season boasted NBA D-League experience, while the league continues to develop coaches, referees, and front-office staff for the NBA and its teams. In fostering the league's connection to the community, its teams, players and staff promote health and wellness, support local needs and interests, and assist in educational development through NBA D-League Cares programs. The NBA D-League also advances the game of basketball as the research and development arm of the NBA. Throughout the season fans can watch all NBA D-League games on NBA Futurecast, the free live Web-streaming initiative found at nba.com/futurecast.

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